

**INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE ORAL LITERATURES OF AFRICA
(ISOLA)**

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
ISOLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 2010-2012**

1. In terms of the existing rules the Executive Council of the International Society for the Oral Literatures of Africa (ISOLA) calls for the nomination of eligible members for the incoming Executive Council of the Society to serve from July 2010 to July 2012:
 - a. Eligible members are natural persons who subscribe to the objectives of the Society and are members in good standing, i.e. they have paid their membership dues;
 - b. The General Council in July 2010 will elect the President of the Society, who must be a sitting member of the present Executive Council;
 - c. In addition, the General Council will elect six (6) members to serve on the incoming Executive Council – the individual portfolios will be decided at the first meeting of the incoming Executive Council.
 - d. The incoming Executive Council will co-opt a eighth member, i.e. the chairperson of the forthcoming conference's Local Organising Committee.
 - e. In addition, nominees are encouraged to indicate their expertise, especially with respect to the management and administration of finances, Internet communication and website administration and archive administration.

2. Nomination documentation must
 - a. be submitted by Monday 31st May 2010;
 - b. include an abbreviated curriculum vitae (no longer than 1 page) and a recent photograph;
 - c. include a short vision statement concerning ISOLA of no more than 250 words;
 - d. contain the names of ISOLA members nominating or proposing the candidate;
 - e. clearly indicate the date of the nomination;
 - f. be made available in English and French (however it is not a requirement that a nominee must be conversant in both languages).

3. Nomination documentation should be e-mailed to the following outgoing officials:
 - a. the Administrative Secretary of ISOLA, Stephen Belcher (spbelcher4@myfairpoint.net)
 - b. and the President, Hein Willemse (hein.willemse@up.ac.za);

4. The following rules govern the election of officers of the Society:
 - a. ***The Society's Constitution, article 5:***
 - i. **Council:** At each General Meeting of the Society, an international Council will be elected consisting of a President, and two or more Councilors with powers to co-opt. The President will be elected at the General Meeting; an Administrative Secretary will be elected by the Councilors at their first meeting. At least one member of the Council shall reside in or near the venue for the forthcoming conference, which will be determined at the General Meeting. A local sub-committee of the Council will be formed in or near the venue for the forthcoming

conference under the chairmanship of a member of the Council, to be elected if necessary at the first meeting of the sub-committee.

- b. **ISOLA Conventions:** Through convention the following positions have been established:
- i. President
 - ii. Vice-President (Chairperson: Conference Committee)
 - iii. Administrative secretary
 - iv. Treasurer
 - v. Archivist
 - vi. Communications Officer (and webmaster)
 - vii. Publications Officer
 - viii. Co-opted member: Chairperson of the forthcoming conference's Local Organising Committee
 - ix. Non-elected advisor: Immediate Past President (non-voting position)
- c. **General Council Resolutions:** The General Council (St Augustine, Trinidad & Tobago, 2006) resolved that the incoming President of the Society should be a sitting member of the current ISOLA Executive Council.

HEIN WILLEMSE
President, ISOLA

January 15, 2010
Pretoria, South Africa